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1. A fishing reel, comprising:
 - (a) a frame, said frame having forward and rearward ends and two sides;
 - (b) a transversely orientated, revolvable cylindrical spool mounted to said frame, said spool having a recessed channel for holding a length of coiled fishing line; and
 - (c) means for positioning said fishing line onto said channel of said spool; and
 - (d) means for controlling the rotation of said spool and thereby dispensing said fishing line on to and off of said spool.
2. The fishing reel according to claim 1 where in said means for positioning said fishing line onto said channel of said spool includes a line guide mounted on said frame in a fixed position forward of said spool.
3. The fishing reel according to claim 2 wherein, said recessed channel of said spool has a substantially rectangular cross-section.
4. The fishing reel according to claim 3 wherein, the mid-point of said line guide is positioned so as to be in alignment with the centerline of said recessed channel.
5. The fishing reel according to claim 4 wherein, said line guide is substantially circular.

6. The fishing reel according to claim 5 wherein, the diameter of said substantially circular line guide is in the range of about $\frac{3}{8}$ to about $\frac{5}{8}$ of the width of said channel.

7. The fishing reel according to claim 6 wherein, the center of said substantially circular line guide is positioned no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.

8. The fishing reel according to claim 4 wherein, said line guide is a vertically extending elongated ring.

9. The fishing reel according to claim 8, the width of said elongated ring line guide being in the range of about $\frac{3}{8}$ to about $\frac{5}{8}$ of the width of the said channel and the length of said elongated ring line guide being in the range of about $\frac{3}{8}$ to about $\frac{5}{8}$ of the depth of said channel.

10. The fishing reel according to claim 9 wherein, the mid-point of said elongated ring line guide is fixedly positioned no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.

11. The fishing reel according to claim 5 wherein, said line guide is approximately $\frac{3}{16}$ inches in diameter and said line channel is approximately $\frac{11}{32}$ inches in width.

12. The fishing reel according to claim 11 wherein, the center of said line guide is positioned

no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.

13. A fishing reel, comprising:

- (a) a frame, said frame having forward and rearward ends and two sides;
- (b) a transversely orientated, revolvable cylindrical spool mounted to said frame, said spool having a recessed channel of a substantially rectangular cross-section for holding a length of coiled fishing line; and
- (c) a circular line guide fixedly mounted on said frame forward of said spool for positioning said fishing line onto said channel of said spool, the center of said line guide positioned so as to be in alignment with the centerline of said recessed channel; and
- (d) means for controlling the rotation of said spool and thereby dispensing said fishing line on to and off of said spool.

14. The fishing reel according to claim 13 wherein, the diameter of said line guide is in the range of about $3/8$ to about $5/8$ of the width of said channel.

15. The fishing reel according to claim 14 wherein, the center of said line guide is positioned no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.

16. The fishing reel according to claim 13 wherein, said line guide is approximately $\frac{3}{16}$ inches in diameter and said line channel is approximately $\frac{11}{32}$ inches in width.

17. The fishing reel according to claim 16 wherein, the center of said line guide is positioned no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.

18. A fishing reel, comprising:

- (a) a frame, said frame having forward and rearward ends and two sides;
- (b) a transversely orientated, revolvable cylindrical spool mounted to said frame, said spool having a recessed channel of a substantially rectangular cross-section for holding a length of coiled fishing line; and
- (c) a line guide fixedly mounted on said frame forward of said spool for positioning said fishing line onto said channel of said spool, said line guide being configured as a vertically extending elongated ring, the center of said elongated ring positioned so as to be in alignment with the centerline of said recessed channel; and
- (d) means for controlling the rotation of said spool and thereby dispensing said fishing line on to and off of said spool.

19. The fishing reel according to claim 18 wherein, the width of said elongated ring line guide being in the range of about $\frac{3}{8}$ to about $\frac{5}{8}$ of the width of the said channel and the length of said elongated ring line guide being in the range of about $\frac{3}{8}$ to about $\frac{5}{8}$ of the depth of said channel.

20. The fishing reel according to claim 19 wherein, the vertical mid-point of said elongated ring line guide is positioned no lower than approximately the vertical mid-point of said channel and no higher than approximately the rim of said channel.